

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
January 30, 1995

The meeting was televised by Amherst Community Television.

The Special Town Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Harrison Gregg at 7:56 p.m. There were 246 town meeting members: 124 checked in and a quorum was declared. The call and return of the warrant were read by Town Clerk, Cornelia D. Como.

ARTICLE 1. Voted that the Town authorize the Select Board to petition the General Court for a Special Act authorizing rent review within the Town of Amherst substantially as set forth in the January 23, 1995 draft of "A Special Act Providing for the Alleviation of Hardship of Certain Tenants in the Town of Amherst," except that Section 3 of the said draft be amended by striking out Subsection (d) and substituting the following (new language underlined):

(d)"Income Eligible" shall mean having an income which when combined with the incomes of all other persons residing in the same unit, is sixty percent or less of the median income for the Boston Primary Metropolitan Statistical Area as set forth in or determined based upon regulations promulgated from time to time by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development pursuant to Section 8 of the Housing Act of 1937 as amended, and calculated pursuant to said regulations, provided that in the case of households which include at least one tenant who was an occupant of a covered rental unit as of November eighth, nineteen hundred and ninety-four, and who had reached the age of sixty-two years on or before said date, or one tenant who is physically or mentally disabled, the applicable percentage shall be eighty percent and provided further that no full time student eighteen years of age or older, regardless of income, shall be considered Income Eligible under the provisions of this act unless such student is a recipient of Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Social Security or Supplemental Security Income benefits, state Veterans' Assistance benefits, Food Stamps, or Medical Assistance ("Medicaid") or is a recipient of federal or state need-based financial aid.

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary.

Action taken on 1/30/95.

9:24 p.m. The business of the warrant having been completed the meeting voted to dissolve. 133 town meeting members were checked in.

Attest:

Cornelia D.Como
Town Clerk